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## Maryland State Board of Education Hosts Meeting Tuesday, April 26

*Agenda Features Presentation on Achieving Academic Excellence and Equity for Black Boys; Blueprint Deep Dive on Early Childhood Education and Recognition of Math and Science Presidential Award Winners*

BALTIMORE, MD (April 22, 2022) – The Maryland State Board of Education will meet at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, April 26 at the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE), 200 W. Baltimore Street in the 7th floor State Board Room. The complete agenda and livestream are available at [this link](https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/stateboard/Pages/meeting-agendas/2022/2022-04-26.aspx) ([www.marylandpublicschools.org/stateboard/Pages/meeting-agendas/2022/2022-04-26.aspx](https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/stateboard/Pages/meeting-agendas/2022/2022-04-26.aspx)). The meeting will also be available via [YouTube livestream](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4_IZIQQI7-A) ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4\\_IZIQQI7-A](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4_IZIQQI7-A)).

The meeting will feature a guest presentation from Achieving Academic Equity and Excellence for Black Boys (AAEEBB) pilot school staff, as well as a Blueprint Deep Dive on Early Childhood Education. Additionally, the State Board will present a new resolution entitled: Committing to Transformative Action to Create a World-Class Education System in Maryland.

In a special tribute, the State Board and MSDE will recognize Anne Arundel County teacher Joanie Gulden and Baltimore City teacher Melissa Thompson, recipients of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST). Ms. Gulden and Ms. Thompson are among 102 teachers across the nation to be recognized with the United States' highest distinction for teaching in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and/or computer science.

The State Board welcomes public comment, which can be provided both in-person and virtually according to [new guidelines for participation](#). Registration is limited to 10 individuals and is first come, first served. Once the 10-person maximum is reached, additional individuals may be placed on a waiting list.

Registration for public comment opens the week prior to the Board meeting date and ends at 3 p.m. on Monday, April 25. Interested individuals can register by calling the Office of the State Board of Education at 410-767-0467 and leaving a message or by emailing your request to [stateboard.msde@maryland.gov](mailto:stateboard.msde@maryland.gov). Confirmed registrants for public comment will be notified. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker and monitored by staff.

The State Board has restored in-person meetings, open to the public. The State Board of Education and MSDE will continue to practice public health measures.

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